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IN PRESS CONFERENCE MORNING APRIL 29, IAN PAISLEY
OUTLINED TWO OPTIONS OPEN TO PROVINCE IN FACE
SECURITY SITUATION. FIRST OPTION, HE SAID, WAS REVOLUTION
AND ABILITY OF MAJORITY TO MAKE REVOLUTION AND CONSEQUENCES
COULD NOT BE DOUBTED. OTHER OPTION, HE SAID, WAS PASSIVE
PROTEST, STOPPAGE OF WORK, WITHDRAWAL OF LABOUR, WITHOLDING
OF RATES, RENTS AND VALUE ADDED TAX PAYMENTS. THIS OPTION
WAS BEING ADOPTED BY UNIONIST ACTION COUNCIL. "SUCCESS"
OF PROTEST HE SAID, WAS ACHIEVED ALREADY IN THAT ATTENTION
OF WORLD HAD BEEN DRAWN TO SITUATION PREVAILING HERE.
AMONG THOSE ATTENDING CONFERENCE WAS ULSTER DEFENSE
ASSOCIATION "SUPREME COMMANDER" ANDY TYRIE BUT HE DID
NOT SPEAK.

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